Michigan Deptartment of Treasury 496 (2-04) Auditing Procedures Report

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Local Government Type City Township Villa	Local Government	Name		County				
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We have audited the financial state accordance with the Statements Financial Statements for Counties	s of the Governmental Account	ting Standards Board (GASB) and the	Uniform Repo				
We affirm that:	Dullatin fourths Augits of Local Lin	its of Coursement in Mis	himan aa waxiaa d					
1. We have complied with the B			nigan as revised					
2. We are certified public accour	-	-						
We further affirm the following. "Yo comments and recommendations	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	sed in the financial state	ments, including	the notes, or in	the report of			
You must check the applicable box	x for each item below.							
Yes No 1. Certain c	component units/funds/agencies	of the local unit are excl	uded from the fir	nancial stateme	nts.			
Yes No 2. There are 275 of 19	re accumulated deficits in one o 980).	or more of this unit's uni	eserved fund ba	alances/retained	I earnings (P.A.			
Yes No 3. There are amended	re instances of non-compliance d).	with the Uniform Acco	unting and Bud	geting Act (P.A	. 2 of 1968, as			
	al unit has violated the condition tents, or an order issued under the			e Municipal Fir	ance Act or its			
— —	The local unit holds deposits/investments which do not comply with statutory requirements. (P.A. 20 of 1943, as amended [MCL 129.91], or P.A. 55 of 1982, as amended [MCL 38.1132]).							
Yes No 6. The local	I unit has been delinquent in dist	ributing tax revenues tha	at were collected	for another tax	ing unit.			
Yes No 7. pension l	The local unit has violated the Constitutional requirement (Article 9, Section 24) to fund current year earned Yes No 7. pension benefits (normal costs) in the current year. If the plan is more than 100% funded and the overfunding credits are more than the normal cost requirement, no contributions are due (paid during the year).							
Yes No 8. The loca (MCL 129	al unit uses credit cards and ha	as not adopted an appli	icable policy as	required by P.	A. 266 of 1995			
Yes No 9. The local	I unit has not adopted an investm	nent policy as required b	y P.A. 196 of 19	97 (MCL 129.95	5).			
We have enclosed the following	g:		Enclosed	To Be Forwarded	Not Required			
The letter of comments and recor	mmendations.							
Reports on individual federal finar	ncial assistance programs (progr	ram audits).						
Single Audit Reports (ASLGU).								
Certified Public Accountant (Firm Name)								
Street Address		City	S	tate ZIP Code	,			
Accountant Signature	is Dollray, P.C. Ass	eon M. Starens	D	ate				

Township of Fulton Gratiot County, Michigan

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Gratiot County, Michigan

March 31, 2004

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Members of the Township Board Township of Fulton Perrinton, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Township of Fulton, Michigan as of and for the year ended March 31, 2004 as listed in the Table of Contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Township of Fulton, Michigan as of March 31, 2004, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its proprietary and nonexpendable trust fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining, individual fund and account group financial statements, and additional information listed in the Table of Contents under Supplemental Financial Information, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Township of Fulton, Michigan. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

ABRAHAM & GAFFNEY, P.C. Certified Public Accountants

May 10, 2004

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUP

		Gove	rnmen	tal Fund Typ	es			Proprieta	ry Fund	s		iduciary nd Types	Acc	ount Group
		General		Special evenue		bt Service 3 Sewer)		Enterprise		nal Service quipment)		rust and Agency		General ced Assets
ASSETS	_				_		_		_				_	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	269,783	\$	9,890	\$	21,721	\$	935,117	\$	33,660	\$	22,462	\$	-
Investments		-		-		-		527,475		-		-		-
Receivables		4 =0=						10.101		4.0				
Due from other governmental units - local		4,767		885		-		19,431		16		-		-
Accounts		-		-		-		25,845		-		-		-
Special assessments		-		-		-		279,106		-		-		-
Interest				-		-		4,262		<u>-</u>		-		-
Due from other funds		11,839		-		-		3,175		622		-		-
Advance to other funds		-		-		-		30,755		-		-		-
Fixed assets (net of accumulated depreciation)		-		-		-		938,616		41,546		-		283,959
Prepaid expenditures		199		-	-					-		-		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	286,588	\$	10,775	\$	21,721	\$	2,763,782	\$	75,844	\$	22,462	\$	283,959
LIABILITIES														
Payables														
Accounts	\$	4,448	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Customer deposits	Ψ	575	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	_
Due to other funds		145		2,532		_		12,804		_		155		_
Advance from other funds		-		2,002		_		30,755		_		-		_
Due to other governmental units								00,700						
Local		_		_		_		380		_		_		_
Accrued liabilities		1,921				_		4,537		_		_		_
Bonds payable		1,521				_		188,527						
Borius payable		<u>-</u>			-		-	100,521				<u>-</u>		
TOTAL LIABILITIES		7,089		2,532		-0-		237,003		-0-		155		-0-
FUND EQUITY														
Contributed capital		-		-		-		2,289,845		-		-		-
Investment in general fixed assets		-		-		-		-		-		-		283,959
Retained earnings														
Unreserved		-		-		-		236,934		75,844		-		-
Fund balance														
Reserved for debt service		-		-		21,721		-		-		-		-
Reserved for perpetual care		-		-		-		-		-		22,307		-
Unreserved														
Designated for subsequent year's expenditures		39,303		-		-		-		-		-		-
Undesignated		240,196		8,243										
TOTAL FUND EQUITY		279,499		8,243		21,721		2,526,779		75,844		22,307		283,959
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$	286,588	\$	10,775	\$	21,721	\$	2,763,782	\$	75,844	\$	22,462	\$	283,959

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

Year Ended March 31, 2004

	General		Special General Revenue		•	Debt Service (#3 Sewe	
REVENUES							
Taxes	\$	53,837	\$	_	\$	_	
Licenses and permits	•	470	•	_	•	-	
Intergovernmental		136,395		-		-	
Charges for services		4,628		-		-	
Interest and rents		6,236		-		122	
Special assessments		-		7,208		-	
Other		6,674					
TOTAL REVENUES		208,240		7,208		122	
EXPENDITURES							
General government		96,748		200		-	
Public safety		25,600		-		-	
Public works		69,844		6,258		-	
Community and economic development		1,059		-		-	
Other		8,665				111	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		201,916		6,458		111	
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		6,324		750		11	
OVER EXILEMENTORES		0,024		700			
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES							
Operating transfers in		288					
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER							
EXPENDITURES		6,612		750		11	
Fund balances, beginning of year		272,887		7,493		21,710	
Fund balances, end of year	\$	279,499	\$	8,243	\$	21,721	

See accompanying notes to general purpose financial statements.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES

Year Ended March 31, 2004

	General Fund					Special Revenue Funds						
DEVENUE		mended Budget		Actual	Fa	ariance vorable avorable)	B	udget		Actual	Fav	riance vorable avorable)
REVENUES	Φ.	F0 F40	Φ	F2 027	Φ	207	Ф		Φ.		c	0
Taxes	\$	53,540 500	\$	53,837 470	\$	297	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-0- -0-
Licenses and permits Intergovernmental		132,000		136,395		(30) 4,395		_		<u>-</u>		-0- -0-
Charges for services		6,000		4,628		(1,372)		_		_		-0-
Interest and rents		6,700		6,236		(464)		_		_		-0-
Special assessments		-		-		-0-		7,050		7,208		158
Other		1,400		6,674		5,274				, 		-0-
TOTAL REVENUES		200,140		208,240		8,100		7,050		7,208		158
EXPENDITURES												
General government		110,825		96,748		14,077		200		200		-0-
Public safety		25,600		25,600		-0-		-		-		-0-
Public works		82,548		69,844		12,704		6,430		6,258		172
Community and economic development		1,250		1,059		191		-		-		-0-
Other		9,200		8,665		535				-		-0-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		229,423		201,916		27,507		6,630		6,458		172
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(29,283)		6,324		35,607		420		750		330
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES Operating transfers in		800		288		(512)		_		_		-0-
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(28,483)		6,612		35,095		420		750		330
Fund balances, beginning of year		272,887		272,887		-0-		7,493		7,493		-0-
Fund balances, end of year	\$	244,404	\$	279,499	\$	35,095	\$	7,913	\$	8,243	\$	330

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS/FUND BALANCE - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE TYPES AND NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

Year Ended March 31, 2004

	Proprietary Enterprise	lı S	ypes nternal Service uipment)	None Tr (C	duciary and Type expendable ust Fund emetery erpetual Care)
OPERATING REVENUES					
Sewer usage charges	\$ 83,561	\$	_	\$	-
Equipment rentals	-		8,294		-
Other	 700				
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	84,261		8,294		-0-
OPERATING EXPENSES					
Salaries and wages	18,708		-		-
Social security	1,453		-		-
Other fringe benefits	500		_		-
Health insurance	8,988		_		-
Workers' compensation	680		_		_
Supplies	1,171		270		_
Professional services	1,331		250		_
Utilities	8,796		2,160		_
Equipment rental	1,968		140		_
Repairs and maintenance	24,226		623		_
Insurance	1,068		3,960		_
Depreciation	61,077		7,115		_
Miscellaneous	 406				-
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	 130,372		14,518		-0-
OPERATING (LOSS)	(46,111)		(6,224)		-0-
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)					
Interest revenue	35,903		271		218
Interest and fiscal charges	(12,802)				
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	 23,101		271		218
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE TRANSFERS	(23,010)		(5,953)		218
TRANSFERS OUT Operating transfer out	 				(288)
NET (LOSS)	(23,010)		(5,953)		(70)
Retained earnings/fund balance, beginning of year	 259,944		81,797		22,377
Retained earnings/fund balance, end of year	\$ 236,934	\$	75,844	\$	22,307

See accompanying notes to general purpose financial statements.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES AND NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

Year Ended March 31, 2004

	Proprietary Enterprise	Fund Types Internal Service (Equipment)	Fiduciary Fund Type Nonexpendable Trust Fund (Cemetery Perpetual Care)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Operating (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities	\$ (46,111)	\$ (6,224)	\$ -
Depreciation Decrease in receivables (Increase) decrease in due from other funds	61,077 15,350 425	7,115 - (125)	- 70 -
(Decrease) in accrued liabilities Increase (decrease) in due to other funds	(368) 8,169	(287)	(11)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	38,542	479	59
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES Transfers out to other funds	- 1 550	-	(288)
Payments on advance to other funds Payments on advance from other funds	1,559 (1,559)		
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	-0-	-0-	(288)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest earned Maturity of investments	35,903 66,327	271 	218 10,000
NET CASH PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	102,230	271	10,218
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES Capital purchases Payment of bonds payable Interest and fiscal charges	(23,621) (3,309) (12,802)	(722) -	- -
NET CASH (USED) BY CAPITAL AND		(700)	
RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(39,732)	(722)	-0-
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS DURING YEAR	101,040	28	9,989
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	834,077	33,632	12,473
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year See accompanying notes to general purpose financial state	\$ 935,117 ements.	\$ 33,660	\$ 22,462

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2004

NOTE A: DESCRIPTION OF TOWNSHIP OPERATIONS, FUND TYPES, AND ACCOUNT GROUP

Fulton Township, Michigan was organized as a Township under provisions of the constitution and general law of the State of Michigan. The Township is one of sixteen (16) Townships in Gratiot County. The Township operates under an elected Township Board, which consists of a Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, and two Trustees and provides services to its residents in many areas including fire protection, sewer, roads, and planning.

1. Reporting Entity

As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; GASB Statement 14, <u>The Financial Reporting Entity</u>; and <u>Statement on Michigan Governmental Accounting and Auditing No.5</u>, these financial statements present all financial activities of the Township of Fulton. The Township has no activities that would be classified as component units.

The inclusion of the activities of various agencies is based on the manifestation of oversight criteria, relying on such guidelines as the selection of the governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to exert significant influence on operations, and the accountability for fiscal matters. The accountability for fiscal matters considers the possession of the budgetary authority, the responsibility for surplus or deficit, the controlling of fiscal management, and the revenue characteristics, whether a levy or a charge. Consideration is also given to the scope of public service. The scope of public service considers whether the activity is for the benefit of the reporting entity and/or its residents and is within the geographic boundaries of the reporting entity and generally available to its citizens.

Based upon the application of these criteria, the general purpose financial statements of Fulton Township contain all the funds and account groups controlled by the Township Board.

2. Basis of Presentation

The accounts of the Township are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds and account group reported in the financial statements are categorized and described as follows:

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

- a. <u>General Fund</u> The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Township. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- b. <u>Special Revenue Funds (Pompeii Street Lighting, Middleton Street Lighting)</u> The Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts, or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.
- c. <u>Debt Service Fund (1973 Sewer #3 Debt Service)</u> The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal and interest.

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES

a. Enterprise Funds (Gratiot County Sanitary Sewage Disposal Systems #5 and #6 and Pompeii Sewer) - The Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises - where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2004

NOTE A: DESCRIPTION OF TOWNSHIP OPERATIONS, FUND TYPES, AND ACCOUNT GROUP - CONTINUED

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES - CONTINUED

b. <u>Internal Service Fund (Equipment Fund)</u> - The Internal Service Fund is used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the Township on a cost-reimbursement basis.

FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES

- a. <u>Nonexpendable Trust Fund (Cemetery Perpetual Care)</u> The Trust Fund is used to account for assets held by the Township in a trustee capacity for individuals and other funds. The Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund is a nonexpendable trust fund and is accounted for essentially in the same manner as proprietary funds.
- b. <u>Agency Fund (Current Tax Collections)</u> The Agency Fund is used to account for assets held by the Township as an agent for individuals, other organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

ACCOUNT GROUP

a. <u>General Fixed Assets Account Group</u> - The General Fixed Assets Account Group is used to maintain control and cost information for all fixed assets of the Township other than those accounted for in the proprietary funds and the nonexpendable trust fund.

NOTE B: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Township conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to Townships. The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies:

1. Measurement Focus

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the Balance Sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

All proprietary and similar trust funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the Balance Sheet. Fund equity (i.e., net total assets) is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net total assets.

There is no measurement focus for agency funds since assets equal liabilities.

2. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2004

NOTE B: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

2. Basis of Accounting - continued

All governmental and agency funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when they become susceptible to accrual (when they become both "measurable" and "available to finance expenditures of the current period"). Revenues, which are considered measurable but not available, are recorded as a receivable and deferred revenue. Revenues are generally considered available when they are received in cash (unless legally restricted to some future period) or when earned and expected to be collected soon enough after year-end to pay liabilities of the current period. Significant revenues susceptible to accrual include certain intergovernmental revenues and charges for services. Most State intergovernmental revenues (i.e., income taxes, sales taxes), licenses and permits, fines and forfeits, and miscellaneous revenue sources generally are recorded as revenues when received in cash because they are not measurable until actually received.

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest on long-term debt, which is recorded when due.

All proprietary and nonexpendable trust funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred. Unbilled receivables of all proprietary funds are recorded at year-end.

3. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The General and Special Revenue Fund budgets shown in the financial statements were prepared on a basis not substantially different than the basis used to reflect actual results.

The Township follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a. Prior to April 1, the budget is legally adopted on a departmental (activity) level through passage of a Board resolution. After the budget is adopted, all transfers of budgeted amounts between accounts within a fund or activity or any revisions that alter the total expenditures of a fund or activity must be approved by the Township Board.
- b. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year at the activity level for the General Fund and total expenditure level for the Special Revenue Fund.
- c. The Township does not employ encumbrance accounting as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental funds. Appropriations unused at March 31 are not carried forward to the following fiscal year.
- d. Budgeted amounts are reported as originally adopted or as amended by the Township Board during the year.

4. Cash and Investments

Cash consists of cash on hand and checking accounts.

Investments include U.S. Government Securities and certificates of deposit with an original maturity of greater than 90 days from the date of purchase. All investments are stated at market value in accordance with GASB 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools when there was a material difference between cost and market. If cost approximated market value, investments were stated at cost, adjusted for accumulated amortization of premium and accretion of discount. Premiums are amortized (deducted) and discounts are accredited (added) to interest revenue using the straight-line method over the term of the investment. The certificates of deposit held by the Township at year-end are classified as investments.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2004

NOTE B: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

5. Property Tax

Fulton Township bills and collects both its own property tax levy and the tax levy for other governmental units. The Township's property tax revenue recognition policy and related tax calendar disclosures are as follows:

The property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of December 31, Taxes are levied December 1 and are payable through February 28. All property taxes not paid by February 28 are deemed delinquent. Delinquent real property taxes are turned over to the Gratiot County Treasurer on March 1. The Gratiot County Treasurer remits payment to all taxing units on all delinquent real property taxes. Delinquent personal property taxes are retained by the Township for subsequent collection. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the period for which they are levied.

The Township is permitted to levy up to \$1 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for general governmental service and additional amounts for debt service. For the year ended March 31, 2004, the Township levied .8720 mills for general governmental services. The total taxable value for the 2003 levy for property within the Township was \$48,780,363.

6. Fixed Assets and Long-Term Liabilities

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to the fixed assets and long-term liabilities associated with a fund are determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means that only current assets (expendable available financial resources) and current liabilities (those expected to be liquidated with expendable financial resources) are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources".

Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, rather than in governmental funds. The general fixed assets are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase in the governmental fund types. Public domain ("infrastructure") general fixed assets consisting of certain improvements other than buildings, including roads, bridges, streets and sidewalks, and drainage systems are not capitalized along with other general fixed assets. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets.

All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date donated.

Long-term liabilities expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group, not in the governmental funds.

All proprietary funds are accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus. This means that all assets and all liabilities (whether current or non-current) associated with their activity are included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund equity (net total assets) is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components.

Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets used by proprietary funds is charged as an expense against their operations. Accumulated depreciation is reported on proprietary fund balance sheets. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Sewer System

Machinery and equipment

40 years 3 - 20 years

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2004

NOTE B: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

7. Pompeii Sewer

The Pompeii Sewer project, a joint project between Fulton and Washington Townships, is being administered by Fulton Township. The Township is responsible for paying bills related to construction and general operations of the system along with the collecting of sewer usage and special assessment revenue. Fulton Township's share of the activity has been recorded in the Township's financial statements because the system is partially owned by the Township. The Township's percentage share of the system is 66.15 percent.

8. Comparative Data

Comparative data for the General and Special Revenue Funds has been presented in the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the Fund's financial position and operations of each fund. However, comparative data has not been presented in each of the statements since their inclusion would make the statements unduly complex and difficult to read.

NOTE C: CASH AND INVESTMENTS

In accordance with Michigan Compiled Laws, the Township is authorized to invest in the following investment vehicles:

- 1. Bonds, securities, and other obligations of the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States.
- 2. Certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of a State or nationally chartered bank or a State or Federally chartered savings and loan association, savings bank, or credit union whose deposits are insured by an agency of the United States government and which maintains a principal office or branch office located in this State under the laws of the State or the United States, but only if the bank, savings and loan association, savings bank, or credit union is eligible to be a depository of surplus funds belonging to the State under Section 5 or 6 of Act No. 105 of the Public Acts of 1855, as amended, being Section 21.145 and 21.146 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 3. Commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the three (3) highest classifications established by not less than two (2) standard rating services and which matures not more than 270 Days after the date of purchase.
- 4. The United States government or federal agency obligations repurchase agreements.
- 5. Bankers' acceptances of United States banks.
- 6. Mutual funds composed of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) regulations provide that deposits of governmental units are to be separately insured for the amount of \$100,000 for deposits in an insured bank for savings deposits and \$100,000 for demand deposits. Furthermore, if specific deposits are regulated by statute or bond indenture, these specific deposits are to be separately insured for the amount of \$100,000 Michigan Compiled Laws allow for collateralization of government deposits if the assets for pledging are acceptable to the State Treasurer under Section 3 of 1855 PA 105, MCL 21.143, to secure deposits of State surplus funds, securities, issued by the Federal Loan Mortgage Corporation, Federal National Mortgage Association, or Government National Mortgage Association.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2004

NOTE C: CASH AND INVESTMENTS - CONTINUED

Deposits

The Township's deposits at March 31, 2004, are composed of the following:

	Carrying <u>Amount</u>	Bank <u>Balance</u>
Cash Checking accounts	\$ 1,292,483	\$ 1,322,756
Investments Certificates of deposit	100,000	100,000
	<u>\$ 1,392,483</u>	\$ 1,422,756

The cash caption on the combined balance sheet includes \$150 of cash on hand.

Deposits of the Township are maintained with federally insured banks located in the State of Michigan, with all accounts maintained in the name of the Township. As of March 31, 2004, the Township's accounts were insured by the FDIC for \$200,000 and the amount of \$1,222,756 was uninsured and uncollateralized.

Due to significantly higher cash flow at certain periods during the year, the amount the Township held as cash increased significantly. As a result, the amount of uninsured and uncollateralized cash was substantially higher at these peak periods than at year-end.

Investments

As of March 31, 2004, the carrying amounts and market values for each type of investment as reported in the investments caption on the combined balance sheet are as follows:

Investment Type	Carrying <u>Amount</u>	Market <u>Value</u>
Insured or registered for which the securities are held by the Township's agent in the Township's name U.S. Treasury Notes Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Notes	\$ 168,971 <u>258,504</u>	\$ 168,971 258,504
	\$ 427,475	\$ 427,475

The investment in U.S. Treasury and FHLMC notes are not insured but are backed by the full faith and credit of the Federal government.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2004

NOTE D: INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

The amount of interfund receivables and payables at March 31, 2004 are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	Interfund <u>Receivable</u>	<u>Fund</u>	Interfund Payable
General Pompeii Street Lighting Middleton Street Lighting	\$ 321 2,211	General Equipment	\$ 145
Sewer #6 Current Tax Collections	3,125 155	Special Revenue Pompeii Street Lighting	
Pompeii sewer	1,198	General	321
Sewer #5	4,829	Middleton Street Lighting General	2,211
	11,839		2,532
Enterprise Sewer #5		Enterprise Sewer #5	,
Pompeii sewer	3,175	General	4,829
Internal Service		Equipment Sewer #6	335
Equipment General	145	General Equipment	3,125 110
Sewer #5	335	Pompeii sewer	_
Sewer #6 Pompeii sewer	110 32	General Equipment	1,198 32
. ompon conc.		Sewer #5	3,175
	622		12,804
		Trust and Agency	
		Current Tax Collections General	<u>155</u>
	<u>\$ 15,636</u>		<u>\$ 15,636</u>

NOTE E: ADVANCES RECEIVABLE AND PAYABLE

The following schedule details advances receivable and payable between the funds at March 31, 2004:

<u>Fund</u>	Advance To	<u>Fund</u>	Advance From
Enterprise Sewer #5		Enterprise Pompeii Sewer	
Pompeii Sewer	\$ 30,755	Sewer #5	\$ 30,755

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2004

NOTE F: FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	Balance <u>Apr. 1, 2003</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	Balance <u>Mar. 31, 2004</u>
Land and improvements Buildings Furniture and fixtures Machinery and equipment	\$ 22,505 221,251 4,914 35,289	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$ 22,505 221,251 4,914 35,289
	<u>\$ 283,959</u>	\$ -0-	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 283,959</u>

The following is a summary of Proprietary Fund Type property, plant, and equipment at March 31, 2004:

	Historical Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Book <u>Value</u>
Gratiot County Sanitary Sewage System No. 5 Sewer lines Pumping stations Equipment	\$ 766,789 404,858 87,066 1,258,713	\$ 546,359 321,289 54,774 922,422	\$ 220,430 83,569 32,292 336,291
Gratiot County Sanitary Sewage System No. 6		,	
Lagoon	80,000	58,165	21,835
Sewer lines	530,453	358,208	172,245
Pumping station Equipment	50,000 31,053	50,000 21,389	-0- 9,664
Едартопс		21,000	
	691,506	487,762	203,744
Gratiot County Sanitary Sewage System Pompeii Sewer			
Sewer System	470,995	72,414	<u>398,581</u>
Total Enterprise Funds	<u>\$ 2,421,214</u>	<u>\$ 1,482,598</u>	<u>\$ 938,616</u>
Internal Service Fund Equipment Fund			
Equipment	<u>\$ 106,525</u>	<u>\$ 64,979</u>	<u>\$ 41,546</u>

Depreciation expense for the year ended March 31, 2004, amounted to \$61,077 and \$7,115, for the Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Fund, respectively.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2004

NOTE G: LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt (including current portion) of the Township for the year ended March 31, 2004:

	Balance Apr. 1, 2003	Additions	Deletions	Balance Mar. 31, 2004
Enterprise Funds				·
Pompeii Sewer				
Revenue Bonds	<u>\$ 191,836</u>	<u> </u>	<u>\$ 3,309</u>	<u>\$ 188,527</u>

Significant details regarding the outstanding long-term debt (including current portion) are presented below:

\$320,000 County of Gratiot, Pompeii Community Sanitary Sewer System Bonds. These bonds are split \$211,680 and \$108,320 between Fulton and Washington Township's respectively. Bonds are dated August 1, 1996. Fulton Township's annual installments range from \$3,310 to \$13,230 through May 1, 2022, with interest ranging from 5.1 to 6.0 percent, payable semi-annually.

188,527

The annual requirements to pay the debt principal and interest outstanding as of March 31, 2004, are as follows:

Year Ending March 31,	County of Gratiot Pompeii Community Sewer Bonds
2005 2006 2007	\$ 14,145 17,199 16,858
2008 2009 2010-2014	16,511 16,157 86,974
2015-2019 2020-2023	84,916
	312,031
Less: interest	(123,504)
	\$ 188,527

NOTE H: FUND BALANCE RESERVES AND DESIGNATIONS

Reserved fund balance is used to earmark a portion of fund balance to indicate that it is not appropriate for expenditure or has been legally segregated for a specific future use. Designated fund balance indicates that portion of the fund balance which the Township has set aside for specific purposes.

The following are the various fund balance reserves as of March 31, 2004:

Debt Service Fund (Sewer #3) Reserved for debt service

\$ 21,721

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2004

NOTE H: FUND BALANCE RESERVES AND DESIGNATIONS - CONTINUED

Trust and Agency Funds
Cemetery Perpetual Care
Reserved for perpetual care

22,307

\$ 44,028

The following are the various fund balance designations as of March 31, 2004:

General Fund

Designated for subsequent year's expenditures \$ 39,303

NOTE I: SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Township operates the Sewer #5, #6, and Pompeii Sewer utilities providing services to the various Township residents. Segment information for the year ended March 31, 2004, is as follows:

					F	Pompeii		
	<u> </u>	Sewer #5	<u> </u>	Sewer #6		Sewer		<u>Total</u>
Operating revenue	\$	41,363	\$	36,008	\$	6,890	\$	84,261
Operating expenses								
Depreciation		32,379		16,923		11,775		61,077
Other		36,088		25,620		7,587		69,295
Operating (loss)	(27,104)	(6,535)	(12,472)	(46,111)
Nonoperating revenue (expenses)								
Interest		32,519		2,453		931		35,903
Interest and fiscal charges		_		-	(12,802)	(12,802)
Net income (loss)		5,415	(4,082)	(24,343)	(23,010)
Contributed capital		1,207,820		455,627		626,398		2,289,845
Net working capital		1,267,707		181,721		61,392		1,510,820
Total assets		1,647,252		388,700		727,830		2,763,782
Long-term liabilities								
Bonds payable		-		-		188,527		188,527
Advances from other funds		-		-		30,755		30,755
Total equity		1,641,708		385,465		499,606		2,526,779

NOTE K: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township participates in a pool, the Michigan Township Participating Plan with other municipalities for various risks of loss including employer's liability, errors and omissions, and property and casualty losses. The pool is organized under Public Act 138 of 1982, as amended. The Township has no liability for additional assessments based on the claims filed against the pool nor do they have any right to dividends.

The Township also maintains commercial insurance coverage for workers' compensation.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2004

NOTE L: GASB STATEMENT NO. 34

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments (Statement). Certain of the significant changes in the Statement include the following:

For the first time the financial statements will include:

- A Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the Township's overall financial position and results of operations.
- Financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all of the Township's activities, including reporting infrastructure assets (roads, bridges, etc.).
- A change in the fund financial statements to focus on the major funds.

The general provisions of GASB Statement No. 34 must be implemented by Fulton Township no later than the fiscal year ending March 31, 2005; the retroactive reporting of infrastructures, if any, must be implemented no later than the year ending March 31, 2009.



General Fund

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

		nended Budget		2004 Actual	Fa	ariance vorable avorable)		2003 Actual
REVENUES						<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>		
Taxes	•	44.500	•	40.404	•	004	•	44.000
Current tax levy Administrative fees	\$	41,500 12,000	\$	42,164 11,633	\$	664 (367)	\$	41,090 11,730
In-lieu of taxes		12,000 40		40		(367) -0-		40
in-lied of taxes		40						
Total taxes		53,540		53,837		297		52,860
Licenses and permits								
Zoning permits		500		470		(30)		650
Intergovernmental State shared revenue Sales and use tax		132,000		136,395		4,395		148,929
Charges for services								
Cemetery		6,000		4,628		(1,372)		8,303
Interest and rents								
Interest		4,500		3,466		(1,034)		6,359
Rentals		2,200		2,770		570		2,740
Total interest and rents		6,700		6,236		(464)		9,099
Other								
Reimbursements - fire runs		1,000		800		(200)		585
Miscellaneous		400		5,874		5,474		209
Total other		1,400		6,674		5,274		794
TOTAL REVENUES		200,140		208,240		8,100		220,635

General Fund

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - CONTINUED

	Amende Budget		200 Actu		Fav	iance orable vorable)		2003 Actual
EXPENDITURES								
General government								
Township board	•		_	. ===	•	.==	•	4 =0=
Per Diem	\$ 2,0		\$	1,725	\$	275	\$	1,725
Postage		00		659		(59)		574
Supplies		00		65		35		46
Professional services	2,0			2,528		(528)		1,501
Printing and publishing		00		-		400		244
Dues	1,0			972		28		944
Miscellaneous		50		384		66		242
Capital outlay	2,0	00				2,000		
Total township board	8,5	50	(6,333		2,217		5,276
Supervisor								
Salary	7,9	00		7,900		-0-		7,900
Deputy wages		-		48		(48)		-
Postage		50		-		50		-
Dues	5	00		252		248		58
Capital outlay		50		-		50		-
Miscellaneous	1	50		88		62		_
Total supervisor	8,6	50	;	8,288		362		7,958
Clerk								
Salary	10,0	20	10	0,020		-0-		10,020
Deputy wages	2,4	00		1,965		435		2,310
Postage	3	00		244		56		269
Supplies	1,2	00		1,022		178		1,365
Bonding insurance		00		-		200		_
Education	5	00		217		283		460
Capital outlay	1	00		-		100		-
Miscellaneous	2	00		55		145		46
Total clerk	14,9	20	1:	3,523		1,397		14,470
Board of review								
Per Diem	7	00		525		175		600
Postage		15		_		15		-
Printing and publishing		50		18		32		32
Education		20				120		70
Total board of review	8	85		543		342		702

General Fund

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - CONTINUED

EXPENDITURES - CONTINUED		mended Budget		2004 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)		2003 Actual
General government - continued Treasurer							
Salary	\$	10,020	\$	10,020	-0-	\$	10,020
Deputy wages	Ψ	1,250	Ψ	1,128	122	Ψ	837
Postage		1,500		1,708	(208)		792
Supplies		100		136	(36)		79
Printing and publishing		6,900		6,701	199		2,755
Bonding insurance		200		-	200		_,. 00
Education		500		287	213		490
Miscellaneous		500		250	250		
Total treasurer		20,970		20,230	740		14,973
Assessor							
Salary		5,500		5,500	-0-		5,500
Postage		550		550	-0-		533
Supplies		800		18	782		-
Printing and publishing		2,800		2,124	676		2,782
Dues		300		399	(99)		108
Miscellaneous		250		96	154_		
Total assessor		10,200		8,687	1,513		8,923
Elections							
Salaries		600		-	600		838
Postage		200		69	131		145
Supplies		200		91	109		176
Printing and publishing		150		-	150		-
Maintenance		800		-	800		1,333
Miscellaneous		100			100		
Total elections		2,050		160	1,890		2,492
Township hall							
Salaries		2,200		2,163	37		2,226
Temporary help wages		1,000		816	184		903
Supplies		850		618	232		1,183
Electricity		3,000		2,934	66		3,090
Gas heat		2,900		3,763	(863)		3,511
Telephone		1,250		1,099	151		1,159

General Fund

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - CONTINUED

General government - continued Township hall - continued Repairs and maintenance \$3,000 \$1,244 \$1,756 \$2,739 Equipment rental 800 475 325 400 Capital outlay \$2,500 662 1,838 \$-\$ Miscellaneous 300 151 149 100 \$150	EXPENDITURES - CONTINUED	Amended Budget	2004 Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	2003 Actual
Repairs and maintenance \$ 3,000 \$ 1,244 \$ 1,756 \$ 2,739 Equipment rental 800 475 325 400 Capital outlay 2,500 662 1,838 - Miscellaneous 300 151 149 100 Total township hall 17,800 13,925 3,875 15,311 Cemetery Salary 11,200 11,090 110 11,579 Temporary help wages 6,000 5,505 495 5,886 Supplies 900 1,261 (361) 1,125 Electricity 400 499 (99) 362 Repairs and maintenance 1,000 952 48 242 Equipment rental 6,800 5,752 1,048 6,405 Miscellaneous 500 - 500 - Total cemetery 26,800 25,059 1,741 25,599 Total public safety 25,600 25,600 -0- 25,000					
Equipment rental Capital outlay 800 (Capital outlay) 475 (2500) 325 (2500) 475 (2500) 475 (2500) 4838 (2500) 475 (2500) 4838 (2500) 490 (2500) 49	•	\$ 3,000	\$ 1244	\$ 1.756	\$ 2.730
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Electricity		6,000	5,505	495	5,886
Repairs and maintenance 1,000 952 48 242 Equipment rental 6,800 5,752 1,048 6,405 Miscellaneous 500 - 500 - Total cemetery 26,800 25,059 1,741 25,599 Total general government 110,825 96,748 14,077 95,704 Public safety 500 600 -0- - - Fire runs 600 600 -0- - - - Fire contracts 25,000 25,000 -0- 25,000 - - - - - 25,000 - - - - - - 25,000 - - - - - - - - - - 25,000 -	• •			(361)	
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General Fund

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - CONTINUED

A	Amended Budget		2004 Actual	Fa	avorable		2003 Actual
\$	600	\$	295	\$	305	\$	345
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	100		15		`85 [°]		12
	100		202		(102)		_
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	1,230		1,059		191		1,047
	4,200		4,173		27		3,806
	5,000		4,492		508		4,619
	9,200		8,665		535		8,425
	229.423		201.916		27.507		206,676
	(29,283)		6,324		35,607		13,959
	800		288		(512)		1,170
	000		200		(312)		1,170
	(28,483)		6,612		35,095		15,129
	272,887		272,887		-0-		257,758
\$	244,404	\$	279,499	\$	35,095	\$	272,887
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Special Revenue Funds

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET

	Pompeii Street Lighting		5	ddleton Street ghting	Total		
400570							
ASSETS Cash Due from other governmental	\$	4,908	\$	4,982	\$	9,890	
Due from other governmental units - local		193		692		885	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	5,101	\$	5,674	\$	10,775	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES LIABILITIES Due to other funds	\$	321	\$	2,211	\$	2,532	
FUND BALANCES Unreserved - undesignated		4,780		3,463		8,243	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	5,101	\$	5,674	\$	10,775	

Special Revenue Funds

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

Year Ended March 31, 2004

	Pompeii Street Lighting		Middleton Street Lighting		-	Total
REVENUES Special assessments		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	-	
Street lighting	\$	1,566	\$	5,642	\$	7,208
EXPENDITURES General government						
Professional services Public works		100		100		200
Street lighting		951		5,307		6,258
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,051		5,407		6,458
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER						
EXPENDITURES		515		235		750
Fund balances, beginning of year		4,265		3,228		7,493
Fund balances, end of year	\$	4,780	\$	3,463	\$	8,243

Special Revenue Funds

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - ${\tt BUDGET}$ AND ACTUAL

	B	udget		2004 Actual	Favo	iance orable vorable)	2003 Actual
<u>Pon</u>	peii S	Street Ligh	<u>ting</u>				
REVENUES Special assessments Street lighting	\$	1,600	\$	1,566	\$	(34)	\$ 1,574
EXPENDITURES General government Professional services		100		100		-0-	100
Public works Street lighting		980		951		29	 949
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,080		1,051		29	1,049
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		520		515		(5)	525
Fund balance, beginning of year		4,265		4,265		-0-	3,740
Fund balance, end of year	\$	4,785	\$	4,780	\$	(5)	\$ 4,265
	leton :	Street Ligl	<u>hting</u>				
REVENUES Special assessments Street lighting	\$	5,450	\$	5,642	\$	192	\$ 5,441
EXPENDITURES General government Professional services Public works Street lighting		100 5,450		100 5,307		-0- 143	100 5,300
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		5,550		5,407		143	5,400
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(100)		235		335	41
Fund balance, beginning of year		3,228		3,228		-0-	 3,187
Fund balance, end of year	\$	3,128	\$	3,463	\$	335	\$ 3,228

Enterprise Funds

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET

	Gratiot County Sewage Systems					
		<u>, </u>	Pompeii			
	#5 Sewer	#6 Sewer	Sewer	Total		
ASSETS						
Current assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 705,769	\$ 173,980	\$ 55,368	\$ 935,117		
Investments	527,475	-	-	527,475		
Receivables						
Accounts	10,935	9,841	5,069	25,845		
Due from other funds	3,175	-	-	3,175		
Due from other governmental units - local	18,296	1,135	-	19,431		
Special assessments - current	3,339	-	13,207	16,546		
Interest	4,262			4,262		
Total current assets	1,273,251	184,956	73,644	1,531,851		
Other assets						
Special assessments - deferred	6,955	-	255,605	262,560		
Advance to other funds	30,755			30,755		
Total other assets	37,710	-0-	255,605	293,315		
Fixed assets						
Property, plant, and equipment	1,258,713	691,506	470,995	2,421,214		
Accumulated depreciation	(922,422)	(487,762)	(72,414)	(1,482,598)		
Net fixed assets	336,291	203,744	398,581	938,616		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,647,252	\$ 388,700	\$ 727,830	\$ 2,763,782		

Enterprise Funds

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - CONTINUED

	Gratiot County Sewage Systems					
			Pompeii	_		
	#5 Sewer	#6 Sewer	Sewer	Total		
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY LIABILITIES Current liabilities						
Due to other funds	\$ 5,164	\$ 3,235	\$ 4,405	\$ 12,804		
Due to other governmental units - local	380	-	-	380		
Accrued liabilities	_	-	4,537	4,537		
Bonds payable - current	-	-	3,310	3,310		
Total current liabilities	5,544	3,235	12,252	21,031		
Long-term liabilities						
Bonds payable	-	-	185,217	185,217		
Advance from other funds			30,755	30,755		
Total long-term liabilities	-0-	-0-	215,972	215,972		
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,544	3,235	228,224	237,003		
FUND EQUITY Contributed capital Retained earnings (deficit) - unreserved	1,207,820 433,888	455,627 (70,162)	626,398 (126,792)	2,289,845 236,934		
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	1,641,708	385,465	499,606	2,526,779		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$1,647,252	\$ 388,700	\$ 727,830	\$ 2,763,782		

Enterprise Funds

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS

Year Ended March 31, 2004

	Gratiot County Sewage Disposal Systems					
			Pompeii			
	#5 Sewer	#6 Sewer	Sewer	Total		
OPERATING REVENUES						
Sewer usage charges	\$ 41,088	\$ 35,583	\$ 6,890	\$ 83,561		
Miscellaneous	275	425		700		
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	41,363	36,008	6,890	84,261		
OPERATING EXPENSES						
Salaries and wages	11,090	5,729	1,889	18,708		
Social security	861	446	146	1,453		
Other fringe benefits	250	250	-	500		
Health insurance	4,494	4,494	-	8,988		
Workers' compensation	408	204	68	680		
Supplies	881	227	63	1,171		
Professional services	500	500	331	1,331		
Utilities	4,232	2,645	1,919	8,796		
Equipment rental	1,420	355	193	1,968		
Repairs and maintenance	11,099	10,276	2,851	24,226		
Insurance	693	346	29	1,068		
Depreciation	32,379	16,923	11,775	61,077		
Miscellaneous	160	148	98	406		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	68,467	42,543	19,362	130,372		
OPERATING (LOSS)	(27,104)	(6,535)	(12,472)	(46,111)		
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)						
Interest revenue	32,519	2,453	931	35,903		
Interest and fiscal charges	-	_,	(12,802)	(12,802)		
-						
TOTAL NONOPERATING						
REVENUES (EXPENSES)	32,519	2,453	(11,871)	23,101		
NET INCOME (LOSS)	5,415	(4,082)	(24,343)	(23,010)		
Retained earnings (deficits), beginning of year	428,473	(66,080)	(102,449)	259,944		
Retained earnings (deficits), end of year	\$ 433,888	\$ (70,162)	\$ (126,792)	\$ 236,934		

Enterprise Funds

COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year Ended March 31, 2004

	Gratiot County Sewage Disposal Systems				
			Pompeii		
	#5 Sewer	#6 Sewer	Sewer	Total	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Operating (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating (loss) to net	\$ (27,104)	\$ (6,535)	\$(12,472)	\$ (46,111)	
cash provided by operating activities Depreciation (Increase) decrease in receivables Decrease in due from other funds (Decrease) in accrued liabilities	32,379 3,509 425 (164)	16,923 (372) - (102)	11,775 12,213 - (102)	61,077 15,350 425 (368)	
Increase in due to other funds	4,819	896	2,454	8,169	
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	13,864	10,810	13,868	38,542	
Interest earned	32,519	2,453	931	35,903	
Maturity of investments	47,327	19,000	_	66,327	
NET CASH PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	79,846	21,453	931	102,230	
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES Payment on advance from other funds Payment on advance to other funds	- 1,559	 	(1,559)	(1,559) 1,559	
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	1,559	-0-	(1,559)	-0-	
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES Capital purchases Payment of bonds payable Interest and fiscal charges	(23,621)	- - -	(3,309) (12,802)	(23,621) (3,309) (12,802)	
NET CASH (USED) BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(23,621)	-0-	(16,111)	(39,732)	
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS DURING YEAR	71,648	32,263	(2,871)	101,040	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	634,121	141,717	58,239	834,077	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 705,769	\$ 173,980	\$ 55,368	\$935,117	

Trust and Agency Funds

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET

		Nonexpendable Trust Fund Cemetery Perpetual Care		Agency Fund Current Tax Collections		
						Total
ASSETS Cash	\$	22,307	\$	155	\$	22,462
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES LIABILITIES Due to other funds	\$	-	\$	155	\$	155
FUND BALANCES Reserved for perpetual care		22,307		<u>-</u>		22,307
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	22,307	\$	155_	\$	22,462

Agency Fund

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Year Ended March 31, 2004

Current Tax Collections Fund

	lance 1, 2003	Additions		Deductions		Balance Mar. 31, 200	
ASSETS							
Cash	\$ 166	\$	1,090,616	\$	1,090,627	\$	155
LIABILITIES Due to other governmental units Schools							
Fulton Schools	\$ _	\$	287,996	\$	287,996	\$	-0-
Ithaca Schools	-		10,811		10,811		-0-
St. Johns Schools	-		680		680		-0-
Clinton County Regional							
Educational Service Agency	-		337		337		-0-
County							
State Education Tax	-		236,897		236,897		-0-
Gratiot-Isabella Intermediate	-		191,474		191,474		-0-
Other	-		300,291		300,291		-0-
Due to other funds							
General	166		49,984		49,995		155
Sewer #5 and #6	-		5,824		5,824		-0-
Pompeii Street Lighting	-		1,373		1,373		-0-
Middleton Street Lighting	 		4,949		4,949		-0-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 166	\$	1,090,616	\$	1,090,627	\$	155

STATEMENT OF GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

ASSETS	
Land and improvements	\$ 22,505
Buildings	221,251
Furniture and fixtures	4,914
Machinery and equipment	35,289
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 283,959
INVESTMENT IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	\$ 283,959

SCHEDULE OF BONDED DEBT OUTSTANDING

March 31, 2004

Pompeii Community Sanitary Sewer System Bonds

Purpose: To pay the Township's portion of construction costs related to the installation of a

sanitary sewage disposal system in the Pompeii Community.

Issue: \$320,000 total bond issue; the bond payable liability is split \$211,680 for Fulton

Township and \$108,320 for Washington Township.

Dated: August 1, 1996

Redemption: Bonds maturing in the years 2007 through 2023 inclusive, are subject to call at the

option of the County, on any interest payment date on or after May 1, 2006, at par and accrued interest plus a premium. Principal is due on May 1, and interest

is payable semi-annually on May 1 and November 1.

Year		Actual		
Ending	Interest	Bonds	Interest	Total
March 31,	Rate	Maturing	Due	Due
2005	5.1%	\$ 3,310	\$ 10,835	\$ 14,145
2006	5.1	6,615	10,584	17,199
2007	5.1	6,615	10,243	16,858
2008	5.2	6,615	9,896	16,511
2009	5.3	6,615	9,542	16,157
2010	5.4	6,615	9,182	15,797
2011	5.5	9,922	8,722	18,644
2012	5.6	9,922	8,161	18,083
2013	5.7	9,922	7,591	17,513
2014	5.8	9,922	7,015	16,937
2015	5.8	9,922	6,435	16,357
2016	5.9	9,922	5,849	15,771
2017	6.9	13,230	5,160	18,390
2018	6.0	13,230	4,366	17,596
2019	6.0	13,230	3,572	16,802
2020	6.0	13,230	2,778	16,008
2021	6.0	13,230	1,985	15,215
2022	6.0	13,230	1,191	14,421
2023	6.0	13,230	397	13,627
		\$ 188,527	\$ 123,504	\$ 312,031

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MANAGEMENT LETTER

To the Members of the Township Board Township of Fulton Perrinton, Michigan

Dear Ladies/Gentlemen:

As you know, we recently completed our audit of the records of the Township of Fulton, Michigan for the year ended March 31, 2004. In connection with the audit, we feel that certain changes in your accounting and administrative procedures would be helpful in improving management's control and the operational efficiency of the accounting and administrative functions. These suggestions are the result of our evaluation of the internal control structure and our discussions with management.

1. The Township should review their listing general fixed assets for completeness and incorporate estimated useful lives for each general fixed asset listed.

During our analysis of general fixed assets activity for the year, we noted that although the Township has maintained historical cost information for general fixed assets, estimated useful lives for each general fixed asset have not been assigned.

The Township is required to implement GASB Statement No. 34 no later than fiscal year ending March 31, 2005, which will require government-wide financial statements prepared on the full accrual basis of accounting. Under the full accrual basis of accounting, capital assets are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. To the extent possible, the depreciation expense should be allocated to the appropriate function of the government. In order to calculate beginning accumulated depreciation for capital assets for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2005, estimated useful lives will need to be assigned to the capital assets.

We suggest the Township review their listing of capital assets to assure that the listing is complete and accurate and assign estimated useful lives, where applicable. Such information should then be used to calculate accumulated depreciation for the capital assets through March 31, 2004. Compiling this data related to the Township's capital assets will facilitate the implementation of GASB Statement No. 34.

2. The Township should review various areas of operation and consider additional segregation of duties.

During our consideration and assessment of fraud risk, we noted that the Township may not have sufficient segregation of duties in its accounting structure. The intent of internal control is to assure that no one individual is able to control all aspects of a transaction cycle (i.e., receipts, disbursements, utility billing, etc.).

While this is a common occurrence in small organizations due to the limited number of employees, the Township Board should realize that a greater risk in safeguarding assets exists if duties and responsibilities are not appropriately arranged and separated.

We suggest that the Township review various areas of operation and consider additional segregation of duties. If duties cannot be adequately segregated due to the limited number of employees, we suggest the Township Board provide a greater review and supervision of employee functions and procedures.

These conditions were considered in determining the nature, timing, and extent of the audit tests to be applied in our audit of the general purpose financial statements and this report does not affect our report on the general purpose financial statements dated May 10, 2004.

This report is intended solely for the use of management and the Township Board of the Township of Fulton, Michigan and should not be used for any other purpose. We wish to express our appreciation for the courtesy and cooperation extended to us during our audit. We are available to discuss any or all of these suggestions with you and to provide assistance in the implementation of improvements.

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ABRAHAM & GAFFNEY, P.C. Certified Public Accountants

May 10, 2004